

**EXHIBIT A**



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Unsecured Creditors Committee  
3421 Old Vestal Road  
Vestal, NY 13850

March 15, 2018  
Matter ID #: 080236-0000001  
Statement #: 1291597

**Re: The Vellano Corporation Bankruptcy**

*This is our statement for services rendered.  
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**SERVICES**

10/02/2017	HDM	Prepare for conference; attend conference; begin work on papers	1.50
10/02/2017	HDM	Work on appointment papers.	0.50
10/02/2017	DRN	Telephone conference with unsecured creditors committee regarding status of matter, strategy for handling going forward; Conference with HMervis to discuss strategy for handling action going forward	1.20
10/03/2017	KB	Work on Notice of Appearance, Application to Appoint and Order for Creditor Committee Attorney.	1.70
10/03/2017	HDM	Work on appointment; work on opposition	1.00
10/03/2017	HDM	Conference with Donato re: examination.	0.30
10/04/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis; work on Application; draft retainer letter; revisions; scan and e-mail to Committee members.	1.70
10/04/2017	HDM	Work on papers, application and opposition to submit papers.	1.50
10/05/2017	CRB	Re: Bankruptcy Matter: Research regarding Marshaling of Assets Doctrine; Compile cases for HDM regarding the same.	1.00
10/05/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis regarding Affirmation.	0.30
10/05/2017	KB	Revisions to Application and Retainer Letter; e-mail to all parties.	0.50
10/05/2017	KB	Work on Affirmation; office conference with Attorney Mervis regarding hearing dates; review Judge Littlefield's calendar; docket hearing and due dates.	1.20
10/05/2017	HDM	Work on opposition papers.	4.00
10/06/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis; continued work on Application to Employ, Declaration, Response to Motion, Draft Application to Shorten time; conflict checks.	4.20
10/06/2017	DRN	Telephone conference with client regarding status of matter; Review submissions in response to trustee's motion to dismiss/convert; Consider strategy for handling action going forward in light of status	1.30

		of debtor, status of motion proceedings.	
10/06/2017	JWO	Conference with Attorney Mervis regarding matter	0.30
10/09/2017	KB	Office conferences with Attorney Mervis; revisions to Application to Employ; finalize; compile exhibits; scan and e-file	1.50
10/09/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis; revise Shorten Time Application; draft proposed Order; scan and e-file.	1.20
10/09/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis; revise Response to UST Motion; compile exhibits; scan and e-file.	0.90
10/09/2017	HDM	Final review of application. Final review of opposition. Prepare for hearing on 10/11/17.	1.00
10/09/2017	HDM	Continue work on motion papers.	1.00
10/10/2017	HDM	Prepare for meeting.	0.30
10/11/2017	HDM	Work on discovery documents. Attend hearing in Albany.	3.90
10/11/2017	HDM	Round trip travel to attend hearing in Albany. (4 hours round trip, billed at 50%)	2.00
10/13/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis regarding Order; revise Order; e-mail to US Trustee for review.	0.60
10/13/2017	HDM	Various calls and e-mails; work on discovery; conference with IRW	1.00
10/13/2017	DRN	Draft demand to M&T bank for discovery; Draft demand to Debtor for discovery.	1.70
10/16/2017	KB	Approval of proposed Order from U.S. Trustee.	0.10
10/16/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis regarding proposed Order; telephone call to Chambers.	0.20
10/16/2017	DRN	Draft discovery demands to M&T Bank; Draft discovery demands to Debtor; Emails to attorneys Brennan and Weiskopf regarding discovery demands.	1.70
10/17/2017	DRN	Emails from and to RWeiskopf regarding discovery demands to Vellano; Consider revisions to order appointing examiner.	0.50
10/18/2017	KB	Work on Examiner Order.	0.60
10/18/2017	DRN	Review emails from clients regarding questions about memo to unsecured creditors committee; Review memo to unsecured creditors committee regarding status of matter.	0.10
10/19/2017	HDM	Work on discovery demands	1.00
10/19/2017	DRN	Emails to and from attorney Penpraze regarding order appointing examiner; Emails to and from attorneys for all parties regarding proposed draft of order appointing examiner and requested revisions thereto; Emails to and from attorney Weiskopf regarding discovery demands; Emails to and from attorney Brennan regarding examiner fees carve out.	0.50
10/20/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Norton regarding Examiner Order and requested revisions.	0.10
10/20/2017	HDM	Conference with Frank B., conference with Roland W; conference with Lee W; conference call with client.	1.30

10/20/2017	DRN	Review emails from attorneys for parties regarding revisions to order appointing examiner; Revise order appointing examiner	0.60
10/23/2017	DRN	Emails from and to attorneys for parties regarding revised order directing trustee to appoint examiner.	0.20
10/24/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis regarding proposed Order.	0.10
10/24/2017	HDM	Review changes to order.	0.30
10/24/2017	DRN	Emails from attorney Brennan regarding response to discovery demands.	0.20
10/25/2017	KB	Finalize Order; scan and upload to Court.	0.30
10/26/2017	HDM	Various calls and e-mails in preparation for return date - related to examiner.	0.70
10/28/2017	KB	Order signed appointing HHK as attorneys; transfer all prolaw documents into new file.	0.50
10/30/2017	HDM	Prepare for next hearing.	0.40
10/30/2017	DRN	Review emails from FBrennan regarding discovery demands; Review 30+ documents provided by attorney Brennan in response to discovery demand; Review balance sheets and operating reports provided by attorney Weiskopf in response to discovery demands; Telephone conference with attorney Brennan regarding document production.	4.10
10/31/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis; revisions to Affirmation; finalize; compile exhibit; scan and e-file; office conference with Attorney Norton.	1.00
10/31/2017	HDM	Conference with Donato and conference with Woodard	1.50
10/31/2017	HDM	Work on submission.	1.00
10/31/2017	DRN	Review and revise affirmation in support of motion to dismiss, convert or appoint 1104 trustee; Review emails to and from attorney Brennan regarding amounts due and owing to M&T bank.	0.50
11/01/2017	HDM	Attend Hearing; various conferences in Albany.	2.70
11/01/2017	HDM	Round trip travel to Albany, NY. (4 hours round trip, billed at 50%)	2.00
11/02/2017	DRN	Telephone conference with DCulbertson regarding status of action; Emails to and from members of Unsecured Creditors Committee regarding status of action; Review bank statements provided by Vellano.	2.20
11/10/2017	DRN	Review papers submitted by Vellano in further support of its motion to approve 363 sale.	0.50
11/13/2017	DRN	Research case law governing Debtor's burden of proof on motion to approve 363 sale.	1.00
11/14/2017	DRN	Draft response to Debtor's supplement to motion to approve 363 sale; Research case law in connection with drafting response to Debtor's supplement to motion to approve 363 sale; Emails to and from clients regarding status of action.	3.50
11/16/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis; finalize, scan and e-file Response; office conference with Attorney Norton; run bankruptcy	0.50

		calendar for hearing time; docket.	
11/16/2017	DRN	Review emails from trustee regarding debtor's motion to approve 363 sale; Telephone conference with trustee regarding debtor's motion to approve 363 sale.	0.80
11/20/2017	HDM	Various conferences regarding next steps.	0.40
11/20/2017	DRN	Review motion papers filed by Vellano, M&T Bank, and Trustee in preparation for arguing in opposition to motion to approve 363 sale. Argue in opposition to motion to approve 363 sale.	4.10
11/20/2017	DRN	Round trip travel to Albany, NY to attend motion term. (4 hours round trip, billed at 50%)	2.00
11/21/2017	DRN	Telephone conference with attorney Penpraze regarding motion to approve 363 sale; Telephone conference with client regarding motion to approve 363 sale; Emails to and from clients regarding motion to approve 363 sale; Draft email to attorneys for parties regarding 363 sale; Telephone conference with court to argue motion to approve 363 sale.	1.30
11/22/2017	DRN	Review emails from attorneys for parties regarding proposed order denying motion to approve 363 sale; Review proposed order denying motion to approve 363 sale.	0.20
12/08/2017	DRN	Review emails from and to clients regarding status of matter.	0.10
12/11/2017	DRN	Telephone conference with unsecured creditor's committee regarding status of action, strategy for handling response to lift-stay motion, Weiskopf fee application, and motion to convert/dismiss; Telephone conference with attorney Penpraze regarding hearing on pending motions.	1.10
12/12/2017	KB	Finalize letter to Chambers; scan and e-file.	0.30
12/20/2017	KB	Office conference with Attorney Mervis regarding hearing; prep file for hearing.	0.50
12/21/2017	HDM	Attend Hearing in Albany. (4 hours round trip, billed at 50%)	2.00
12/22/2017	DRN	Review and reply to email from client regarding status of action.	0.10
02/27/2018	DRN	Draft motion for award of fees.	1.60
03/01/2018	DRN	Revise fee application; Research statutes and rules governing fee application; Emails to and from trustee regarding fee application.	2.40
03/07/2018	DRN	Revise fee application; Email trustee regarding fee application.	0.30
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			Total Fees: \$21,350.00

**LAWYER SUMMARY**

Corey R. Barklow	1.00 hours at \$200.00/hr	200.00
Kristie Blakeslee	18.00 hours at \$85.00/hr	1,530.00
Harvey D. Mervis	31.30 hours at \$300.00/hr	9,390.00
Daniel R. Norton	33.80 hours at \$300.00/hr	10,140.00
James W. Orband	0.30 hours at \$300.00/hr	90.00

Total hours: 84.40

***COSTS***

11/09/2017	Mileage Expense - - To/From Albany \$148., 278 Miles @.535 cents per mile (10/11/17)	148.00
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11/09/2017	Parking	7.00
12/01/2017	Mileage Expense - To/From Albany, 281 miles @.535 cents per mile (11/20)	150.33
12/01/2017	Parking	8.00
01/02/2018	Travel (Out-of-Town) To/From Albany \$148.74, 278 miles @.535 per mile, \$25.00 parking, \$40.00 meals (12/21)	213.72
02/05/2018	Pacer Service Center Search	19.20
02/05/2018	Pacer Service Center Search	35.90
	Total Costs:	<u>\$730.15</u>
	Total Current Billing	<u>\$22,080.15</u>
	Total Amount Due	<b>\$22,080.15</b>

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***RETAINER ACTIVITY***

*Beginning Balance:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Ending Balance:* \_\_\_\_\_